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The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd Clerk

**South Carolina Public Service Commission** 

Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: Request of Reliable Services Group, Inc. dba Two Men and a Truck, to Amend its Tariff, Certificate Number 9684-C

Docket No. 2019-\_\_\_-T

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Enclosed is an amended proposed Schedule of Charges for filing on behalf of Two Men and a Truck. As set out therein, the Company seeks to modify its hourly rates for household goods moves, and make certain other changes. The Company's current and proposed hourly rates are set out below:

	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
Rate per two movers, residential	\$110/hour	\$120/hour
Rate per three movers, residential	\$135/hour	\$150/hour
Weekend Rate per two movers, residential	\$115/hour	\$130/hour
Weekend Rate per three movers, residential	\$140/hour	\$160/hour
Additional movers	\$25/hour	\$30/hour

Additionally, the Company intends to reduce the cost of its "Full Replacement Value Protection" coverage from 15% of total move cost to 10% of total move cost.

Two Men and a Truck requests that the Commission consider these rate amendment requests as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

s/ John J. Pringle, Jr. John J. Pringle, Jr.

JJP/cr

cc: Mr. Greg Savitski (via electronic mail service)
Office of Regulatory Staff (via electronic mail service)

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# REGULATIONS AND SCHEDULE OF CHARGES APPLICABLE TO INTRASTATE HOUSEHOLD GOODS MOVES

WITHIN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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# **TARIFF FORMAT**

- A. Page Numbering Page numbers appear in the upper-right corner of the page. Pages are numbered sequentially. New pages may occasionally be added to the tariff. When a new page is added, the page appears as a decimal. For example, a new page added between pages 3 and 4 would be 3.1.
- B. <u>Page Revision Numbers</u>. Page Revision Numbers also appear in the upper-right corner of the page. These numbers are used to determine the most current page revision on file with the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff. For example, the Fourth Revised Page 3 cancels the Third Revised Page 3.
- C. <u>Paragraph Numbering Sequence</u>. There are nine levels of paragraph coding. Each level of coding is subservient to its next higher level of coding.

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# **APPLICABILITY OF TARIFF**

This tariff contains the regulations and rates applicable to the provision of intrastate household goods moves by Reliable Services Group, Inc. ("Reliable" or "Two Men and a Truck®"). These services are furnished between points and places in South Carolina.

## **SECTION 1 - TRANSPORTATION CHARGES**

1 Transportation Charges include the hourly rates as listed below.

## 1.1 Hourly Rates and Charges

Moves will be conducted on a "straight time" basis, with a two-hour minimum plus travel time less time for stops. After the first two hours, the hourly rates are calculated in fifteen-minute increments. Any interim charge is rounded up to the next fifteen-minute increment. If customers cancel within 24 hours of their move, the Company will charge a one-hour minimum fee. The weekend rate will be charged on Saturdays and Sundays.

Customers are not charged an additional fee for overtime labor.

## 1.1.1 The Hourly Rates follow:

Rate per two movers,	\$120/hour
residential	
Rate per three movers,	\$150/hour
residential	
Weekend rate per two	\$130/hour
movers, residential	
Weekend rate per three	\$160/hour
movers, residential	
Each additional mover	\$30/hour

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#### SECTION 2 - ADDITIONAL SERVICES

- The following charges shall be assessed in addition to the hourly rates quoted in Section 1 of this tariff
  - 2.1 Bulky Article Charges
    - 2.1.1 Reliable does not charge an additional fee for the loading and unloading of bulky articles.
    - 2.1.2 Reliable reserves the right to decline, at its sole discretion, to move particular items because of their bulk or fragile nature.
  - 2.2 Elevator or Stair Carry

Reliable does not charge an additional fee for elevator or stair carry.

2.3 Excessive Distance or Long Carry Charges

Reliable does not charge an additional fee for carrying articles an excessive distance from the motor vehicle.

- 2.4 Packing and Unpacking
  - 2.4.1 Reliable does not charge an additional fee for packing and unpacking.

    The packing rate is the same as the hourly rate listed in Section 1.1 plus the market price of packing materials, including sales tax on the materials.
  - 2.4.2 Reliable is not responsible for items packed by the customer. Boxes containing fragile or breakable items must be properly labeled.

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## SECTION 2 - ADDITIONAL SERVICES (Cont'd)

## 2.5 Labor Charges Regular and Overtime

Labor charges are based on hourly rates as listed in Section 1.1. The applicable rate is multiplied by the number of hours.

# 2.6 Piano Charges

Upright	\$95
Baby Grand/Grand	\$150

#### 2.7 Other Items

Golf Cart	\$150
Fireproof Safe	\$95
Fireproof file Cabinet	\$95

# 2.8 Pick-Up and Delivery, Extra

Reliable does not charge an additional fee for making additional pick-ups or deliveries after the initial stop.

# 2.9 Waiting Time

The shipper is charged the rates specified in Section 1.1 for all waiting time or delays not the fault of the carrier.

#### 2.10 Overnight Storage

Overnight Storage of a customer's items on a truck will be charged at a rate of \$300 per night.

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## SECTION 2 - ADDITIONAL SERVICES (Cont'd)

# 2.11 Articles, Special Servicing

The rates and charges in this tariff do not include servicing or unservicing articles or appliances such as freezers, refrigerators, computer equipment, washers, dryers, televisions, and similar articles. Reliable does not disconnect or reconnect the shipper's appliances and articles.

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#### **SECTION 3 - RULES AND REGULATIONS**

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#### 3.1 Claims and Valuation Process

Although our movers will be careful with your possessions, from time to time damages may occur. If damages are caused by our service, we reserve the right to repair or replace any damaged goods at our discretion for like kind and quality. If we determine that damage(s) cannot be repaired, and replacement is not a viable option, customer will be compensated based on the level of coverage chosen, as set forth below.

Valuation is valid while your goods are in the care, custody, and control of Reliable. Our Quality Control team will contact you and begin the damage claim process. The process can include, but is not limited to, onsite evaluation of damage, photo request, and original purchase receipt. If your items are placed in storage, as soon as we release custody, valuation of your items cannot be claimed. If damage is discovered after the movers have completed your move, a claim must be called in to our office within 96 hours of the move.

No damage claims will be honored until the charges for moving services are paid in full. You will be asked to sign a Moving Services Agreement acknowledging this.

#### 3.2 Valuation

Certain items are not covered by the valuation options provided below. These include:

Articles of extraordinary value (antiques, fine art, paintings, statutes and similar items; memorabilia, souvenirs, and collector's items; jewelry, furs, stocks, bonds, and cash).

*Ready to Assemble Furniture* (made of engineered wood and paper laminate finish, due to the inherent risk and substandard integrity of this type of furniture).

*Boxes Packed by Customer*. If we pack your boxes, everything in those boxes will be covered. However, if you opt to pack a box yourself, absent any drop damage on the outside of that box, we are not responsible for any breakage within the box.

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## SECTION 3 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

Items with Previous Damage.

Electronics.

All of these items will be released prior to loading.

#### 3.2.1 Standard Valuation

This coverage is free with the customer move. In the event that anything is lost or damaged during the move, you will be reimbursed at \$0.60 per pound per article. That means if an item is damaged or lost, you are entitled to the value of the item or damage up to a *maximum* of the weight of the article times \$0.60 per pound. This value is often less than the actual value of your articles.

# 3.2.2 Full Replacement Value Protection

This coverage allows the customer to declare the total value of their shipment. If articles are lost, damaged, or destroyed the customer is reimbursed the full value of the goods declared. The cost for this coverage is calculated by multiplying your total move cost by 10%. For example, if your move cost is \$300 your cost for full value protection is \$30.00.

After your claim is received and processed, we will undertake the following to complete the claims process:

First, TWO MEN AND A TRUCK® reserves the right to repair or replace any damaged goods at our discretion for like kind and quality. We employ or contract with trained professionals in the areas of woodworking, glass, marble, electronics, appliances, etc.

Second, if we cannot repair the item we will replace it with a similar item of like kind and value.

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## SECTION 3 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

Third, if replacement is not a viable option, we will make a cash settlement for current market replacement value. Market Replacement Value refers to the amount to replace your item according to its current worth. *Keep in mind, depreciation will be based upon original receipt of purchase, and your item could lose its residual value due to wear and tear, depletion, and passage of time.* 

## 3.3 Protection for Items of Extraordinary Value

This level of protection is offered as an optional coverage. In an effort to protect your special or valuable belongings, TWO MEN AND A TRUCK® has developed specific procedures for preparing and shipping items of high value. Items of high value are those considered to have value exceeding \$100 per pound. You must you keep your jewelry, currency, small valuables and irreplaceable items with you, as they will not be accepted as part of the shipment. You have two options for protection:

#### 3.3.1 Option 1:

TWO MEN AND A TRUCK® will provide a cost to cover such items based on the professional appraised value. Appraisal for each item must be received by our office at least one week prior to the move.

## 3.3.2 Option 2: Third-Party Insurance

You also have the option of purchasing insurance from a third-party insurance company, outside of TWO MEN AND A TRUCK®. Before purchasing insurance, check your homeowner's insurance policy to see if you're already covered. If you purchase third-party insurance coverage, the mover remains liable for the amount up to 60 cents per pound per article; and you may be able to recover the amount of loss that exceeds 60 cents per pound pursuant to the terms of a third-party's insurance policy.

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# SECTION 3 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

## 3.4 Computing Charges

Reliable's rates are computed by multiplying the applicable hourly rate by the time as provided in Section 1.1.

## 3.5 Governing Publications

Reliable's rates and charges are governed by the terms and conditions of this tariff, and the Rules and Regulations of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

# 3.6 Storage-in-Transit

Carrier will require payment when a shipment is delivered to a temporary storage warehouse. Charges are calculated as provided in Section 1 and Section 2.10.

# 3.7 Bill of Lading, Contract Terms, and Conditions

Reliable shall issue and maintain Bills of Lading consistent with Commission Rules 103-58, and 103-159.

## 3.8 Items of Particular Value

Reliable does not assume any liability whatsoever for documents, currency, money, credit cards, jewelry, watches, precious stones or articles of extraordinary value including accounts, bills, deeds, evidences of debt, securities, notes, postage stamps, stamp collections, trading stamps, revenue stamps, letters or packets of letters, alcoholic beverages, firearms, coin collections, articles of peculiarly inherent or intrinsic value, precious metals or articles manufactured therefrom. Reliable will not accept responsibility for safe delivery of such articles if they come into Reliable's possession with or without Reliable's knowledge.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

#### **CLERK'S OFFICE**

# **NOTICE OF FILING**

# **DOCKET NO. 2019-\_\_-T**

Pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-190, et. seq., and pursuant to Title 58, Chapter 23 of the South Carolina Code, specifically S.C. Code Ann. §58-23-1010, 58-23-20, 58-23-590, and the Rules and Regulations of the Public Service Commission, Reliable Services Group, Inc. d/b/a Two Men and a Truck, 2410 Air Park Road, North Charleston, South Carolina 29406-6160 has filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) to amend its tariff currently on file with the Commission. The Company's proposed changes to the Company's tariff are as follows:

#### **Hourly Rates**

Hourly rate per two movers, residential - \$120/hour Hourly rate per three movers, residential - \$150/hour Weekend rate per two movers, residential - \$130/hour Weekend rate per three movers, residential - \$160/hour

Additional movers will be billed at an hourly rate of \$30.00.

In addition, the company has reduced the cost of its "Full Replacement Value Protection" coverage from 15% of total move cost to 10% of total move cost.

A copy of the Company's application can be found on the Commission's website at <a href="www.psc.sc.gov">www.psc.sc.gov</a> under Docket No. 2019-\_\_-T. Additionally, a copy of the application is available from the Company's Counsel John J. Pringle, Jr., Adams and Reese LLP, 1501 Main Street, 5th Floor, Columbia, South Carolina 29201.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2019, by filing the Petition to Intervene with the Commission, by providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff and by providing a copy to all parties of record. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. Any person who seeks to intervene and who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the Company's representative at the above address, on or before \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2019. Please refer to *Docket No. 2019-\_\_-T*.

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to <a href="www.psc.sc.gov">www.psc.sc.gov</a> and *Docket No. 2019-\_\_-T*.

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**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding <u>MUST</u> present such comments in person to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at <a href="www.psc.sc.gov">www.psc.sc.gov</a>.

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